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#### **24-HOUR REPORT**

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# (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) San Francisco – Woman Leans out Passenger Window, Brandishes AK47

(U) Police are trying to identify a woman photographed hanging out of the passenger seat of a moving car while holding an AK47. The woman was photographed during an illegal exhibition of speed event at Barneveld Avenue and McKinnon Avenue. An exhibition of speed is a crime related to speed contests under a California Vehicle Code. San Francisco Police Department personnel later located and seized the vehicle, then had it towed away.

SOURCE: 5 August 2021, WFLA

#### (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

# (U) Texas – Agents Arrest Two Gang Members and a Sexual Predator

(U) Edinburg – Rio Grande Valley Border Patrol Sector agents arrest two Mara-Salvatrucha (MS-13) gang members and a migrant previously convicted of sexual crimes involving a child. In two separate incidents, McAllen Border Patrol Station (MCS) agents apprehended a Honduran national and a subject from Guatemala, both of whom were determined to be MS-13 gang members following investigation. MCS agents working near Madero, Texas, arrested two subjects shortly after they illegally entered the US. Record checks later identified one of the men as a Salvadorian national who was listed as a sexual predator for criminal activity in Los Angeles, California. The subject had been convicted and sentenced to 12-years in prison.

SOURCE: 5 August 2021, CBP News Room

# (U) NATIONAL

# (U) Florida – US Coast Guard Offloads \$1.4 Billion in Drugs

(U) Fort Lauderdale – The US Coast Guard offloaded drugs worth more than \$1.4 billion at Port Everglades in Fort Lauderdale. The crew of the Cutter James offloaded about 59,700-pounds of cocaine and approximately 1,430-pounds of marijuana. The drugs were interdicted in international waters of the Eastern Pacific Ocean off the coasts of Mexico, Central and South America, and the Caribbean Sea. Contraband was seized and recovered during 27 interdictions of suspected drug smuggling vessels by ten American, Dutch, and Canadian ships, including the Cutter James. The amount of offloaded drugs is the largest offload in US Coast Guard history.

SOURCE: 5 August 2021, WCSC

# (U) New York - Authorities Announce Major Gang Crackdown in Queens, With 28 Arrests

(U) New York City – More than two dozen alleged gang members were charged for their criminal roles in housing developments in Long Island City and Astoria. The alleged gang members were charged in a lengthy 141-count indictment with charges stemming from 20 incidents in the Queensbridge and Ravenswood Public housing developments over the past few years. NYPD said the crimes involved three rival gangs: Jet Blue, the Makk Ballers, and Money the Motivation/Obligated to Money, all of whom were at war over narcotics and turf. The charges include attempted murder and assault, and one charge

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of murder in the second degree in connection to the shooting of 53-year-old school teacher George Rosa, who was killed by a stray bullet meant for a gang member last summer. SOURCE: 5 August 2021, CBS New York

# (U) Oregon - Custodian Surrendered to Police After Allegedly Planning Mass Shooting

(U) Medford – The Medford Police Department says that Kristopher Clay, 24, a now-former custodian at South Medford High School, had made significant steps toward carrying out a mass shooting before he sought help several weeks ago. On 20 July, Clay came into the Medford Police Department lobby and requested to speak with an officer. MPD said that Clay told the officer he was having "homicidal thoughts" and had plans to follow through with them. The officer took Clay to Asante Rogue Regional Medical Center's Behavioral Health Unit. MPD launched an investigation into Clay, leading them to ammunition, rifles, gun parts, tactical gear, and "written material." Recovered evidence included manifestos, maps, and a journal that Clay allegedly written while in the hospital. Clay had no prior criminal convictions, but he was prohibited from possessing firearms due to a court determination of mental illness under Oregon law.

SOURCE: 5 August 2021, KDRV

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

### (U) Burkina Faso - Armed Group Kills 30 Civilians and Soldiers

(U) Ouagadougou – An armed group in northern Burkina Faso killed 30 civilians, army soldiers, and progovernment militiamen in a series of attacks near the border with Niger. The unidentified assailants struck villages near the town of Markoye around midday on Wednesday and then attacked security forces responding to the raids later that afternoon. The victims included 11 civilians, 15 soldiers, and four members of a government-backed civilian militia. More than 10 of the attackers were also killed, a statement said, adding the military had regained control of the area. There was no immediate claim of responsibility. Attacks by militants linked to al-Qa'ida and the Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) are surging in West Africa's Sahel region, killing thousands and displacing millions in recent years across Burkina Faso, Mali, and Niger.

SOURCE: 5 August 2021, KFGO

#### (U) Italy – Cyber Attack Being Investigated as an Act of Terrorism

(U) Milan – Experts restored the website that handles the services of Italy's Lazio region after cybercriminals forced the administration to shut it down on Sunday, delaying the inoculation process in Italy's second most populous region. Hackers attacked the IT system of the company that manages COVID-19 vaccination appointments of nearly six million people. The FBI and Europol are involved in the investigation into the attack that came from abroad, and that the attack is being investigated as an act of terrorism. The as of yet unknown hackers used a type of malware known as cryptolocker to shut down the site. Shortly after the site was shut down, Italian authorities received a ransom request. SOURCE: 5 August 2021, OCCRP

# (U) United Kingdom – Police Predicted Strike by Streatham Attacker Case of 'When, Not If' After Release

(U) London – Scotland Yard and MI5 recently revealed that Sudesh Amman was one of the most dangerous individuals they had investigated as part of the inquest into the terrorist's violent actions. Law enforcement officials believed that it was a case of "when, not if" Amman would attack the public, less than a month before he went on a knife rampage in south London. The 20-year-old was under surveillance when he grabbed a carving knife from a shop and stabbed two passers-by on Streatham High Road in February 2020. Amman was shot dead by armed officers 62 seconds later. The senior

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police officer leading the investigation into Amman's release from prison said he feared the convict had not changed his extremist mindset while incarcerated. SOURCE: 5 August 2021, <a href="Sky News">Sky News</a>

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